

## SENATE BILL No. 56

DIGEST OF SB 56 (Updated January 24, 2008 3:12 pm - DI 110)

Citations Affected: IC 1-1.

Synopsis: Flag protocol for service related deaths. Requires the governor to issue a proclamation ordering the United States and state flags on the state capitol to be flown at half-staff for 24 consecutive hours not more than 30 days after the date of the service related death of an Indiana resident who is a member of the armed forces of the United States or the Indiana National Guard.

Effective: July 1, 2008.

## Waltz

January 8, 2008, read first time and referred to Committee on Commerce, Public Policy & Interstate Cooperation.

January 14, 2008, reported favorably — Do Pass.

January 24, 2008, read second time, amended, ordered engrossed.



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PRINTING CODE. Amendments: Whenever an existing statute (or a section of the Indiana Constitution) is being amended, the text of the existing provision will appear in this style type, additions will appear in this style type, and deletions will appear in this style type.

Additions: Whenever a new statutory provision is being enacted (or a new constitutional provision adopted), the text of the new provision will appear in **this style type**. Also, the word **NEW** will appear in that style type in the introductory clause of each SECTION that adds a new provision to the Indiana Code or the Indiana Constitution.

Conflict reconciliation: Text in a statute in *this style type* or *this style type* reconciles conflicts between statutes enacted by the 2007 Regular Session of the General Assembly.

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# **SENATE BILL No. 56**

A BILL FOR AN ACT to amend the Indiana Code concerning general provisions.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Indiana:

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1	SECTION 1. IC 1-1-15 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA CODE AS
2	A NEW CHAPTER TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY
3	1, 2008]:
4	Chapter 15. Display of Flags at State Capitol
5	Sec. 1. As used in this chapter, "armed forces of the United
6	States" means:
7	(1) the Army;
8	(2) the Navy;
9	(3) the Air Force;
10	(4) the Coast Guard; and
11	(5) the Marine Corps.
12	Sec. 2. As used in this chapter, "member" refers to a member
13	of:
14	(1) the armed forces of the United States; or
15	(2) the National Guard;
16	who is a resident of Indiana.

Sec. 3. As used in this chapter, "National Guard" means:

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1	(1) the Indiana Army National Guard; or	
2	(2) the Indiana Air National Guard.	
3	Sec. 4. As used in this chapter, "service related death" means	
4	the death of a member as a result of the member's service in the	
5	armed forces of the United States or the National Guard.	
6	Sec. 5. As used in this chapter, "state flag" refers to a state flag	
7	flown on the state capitol.	
8	Sec. 6. As used in this chapter, "United States flag" refers to a	
9	United States flag flown on the state capitol.	
10	Sec. 7. Not more than thirty (30) days after:	
11	(1) receiving notice of and confirming through the United	
12	States Department of Defense a member's service related	
13	death; and	
14	(2) verifying that the member's survivors have received notice	
15	of the member's service related death;	
16	the governor shall issue a proclamation ordering the United States	
17	flag and the state flag to be flown at half-staff for twenty-four (24)	
18	consecutive hours.	
19	Sec. 8. This chapter does not prohibit or otherwise limit the	
20	flying of other flags at half-staff under a separate gubernatorial	
21	proclamation.	
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### COMMITTEE REPORT

Madam President: The Senate Committee on Commerce, Public Policy and Interstate Cooperation, to which was referred Senate Bill No. 56, has had the same under consideration and begs leave to report the same back to the Senate with the recommendation that said bill DO PASS.

(Reference is made to Senate Bill 56 as introduced.)

RIEGSECKER, Chairperson

Committee Vote: Yeas 7, Nays 0.



#### SENATE MOTION

Madam President: I move that Senate Bill 56 be amended to read as follows:

Page 1, delete lines 12 through 16.

Page 1, line 17, delete "Sec. 3." and insert "Sec. 2.".

Page 2, line 5, delete "Sec. 4." and insert "Sec. 3.".

Page 2, between lines 7 and 8, begin a new paragraph and insert:

"Sec. 4. As used in this chapter, "service related death" means the death of a member as a result of the member's service in the armed forces of the United States or the National Guard."

Page 2, line 14, delete "combat" and insert "service related".

Page 2, line 16, delete "combat" and insert "service related".

(Reference is to SB 56 as printed January 15, 2008.)

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